IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Accompanying Continuation Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b):

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J. Franklin

For:

ELECTRONIC MONEY SYSTEM OF TOKEN

AND VALUE MIXED TYPE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

February 28, 2002

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above application as follows.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please rewrite the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

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An electronic money system of a token and value mixed type includes an electronic money card of a type in which a token type for preferentially paying the coin money and paying the bill money when a coin money balance is insufficient for payment, and for recording issuance numbers of bills paid/received in a transaction history in a memory area of the electronic money card. An automatic transaction machine (ATM) reads, from an electronic money card, issuance number of bills